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SUBJ: VISIT OF RWANDAN PRESIDENT HABYARIMANA

1. RWANDAN PRESIDENT JUVANEL HABYARIMANA DEPARTED TRIPOLI
APRIL 19 AFTER A THREE-DAY VISIT IN WHICH HE HELD EXTENSIVE
TALKS WITH COLONEL QADHAFI AND FORMER PRIME MINISTER MAJOR
JALLUD. WHILE LOCAL MEDIA FAILED TO REPORT THE SUBJECT OF
THESE DISCUSSIONS, THEY REPORTEDLY INVOLVED QUESTION OF
STRENGTHENING COOPERATION BETWEEN RWANDAN AND LIBYAN
AUTHORITIES TO SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENT JOINT AID PROJECTS.
HABYARIMANA RECEIVED A WARM WELCOME FROM LIBYAN AUTHORITIES
DURING HIS STAY, INCLUDING A STATE DINNER IN THIS HONOR AND
A VISIT TO AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS IN BENGHAZI.
THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED UPON HABYARIMANA'S DEPARTURE
DENOUNCED ZIONISM, IMPERIALISTS AND MERCENARIES, AND PRAISED
PARTIES TO COMMUNIQUE. IT ALSO REVEALED THAT LITTLE OF
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SUBSTANCE WAS ACHIEVED CONCERNING INCREASED LIBYAN
ECONOMIC AID TO RWANDA.

2. COMMENT: COMMUNIQUE'S LANGUAGE IS STANDARD FOR VISITORS TO
LIBYA FROM POOR COUNTRIES SEEKING LIBYAN LARGESSE. THE
CONTINUOUS EMPHASIS OF THESE AND OTHER COMMUNIQUE
ENDORING THE UNGA'S RESOLUTION BRANDING ZIONISM AS

RACISM SUGGESTS THAT THE LIBYANS MAY ATTEMPT TO WORK
THIS SET PIECE INTO THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE OF THE
FORTHCOMING ARAB/AFRICAN LABOR MINISTERS' CONFERENCE.
LOCAL MEDIA INDICATES 550 PARTICIPANTS WILL ATTEND
CONFERENCE AND, AS IN THE PAST, THE LIBYANS REPORTEDLY
ARE FOOTING THE BILL FOR MANY OF THE PARTICIPANTS,
INCLUDING THEIR TRANSPORTATION TO TRIPOLI. WE CAN
EXPECT THAT QADHAFI'S QUID PRO QUO FOR THIS LARGESSE
WILL BE SIMILAR RESOLUTIONS ON ZIONISM, THE
PALESTINIANS AND THE WEST.
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